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Rahnuma-FPAP NEWSLETTER

Rahnuma-FPAP to Implement WISH II:

Rahnuma-FPAP, as member association of IPPF, is entrusted to implement the largest global programme on family planning titled 'Women's Integrated Sexual Health' (WISH) funded by Dfid. The WISH II program aims to provide a comprehensive package of SRHR to the most marginalized and vulnerable in the society. It is made up of two parts with a primary focus on increasing the number of additional family planning users and contribute to the UK Government's FP2020 commitments, alongside reducing maternal mortality. Under the WISH II Program R-FPAP will partner with public and private sector actors to coordinate and strengthen the provision of comprehensive, quality, integrated SRH services, including family planning. Rahnuma-FPAP will establish and support a coordinating mechanism for WISH II program in the country. It will involve selection of cluster sites, mapping of service delivery partners (both public and private) within selected geographic areas. It is also mandated to strengthen the capacity of all cluster-linked services and service delivery points. The project will strengthen institutional capacity of cluster facilities to provide an integrated package of SRH services (IPES), including: a broad range of FP methods.



Balochistan Government agrees to include LSBE in mainstream Curriculum:

Students from class six to nine would be taught LSBE to create awareness among children about physical and sexual abuses, nutrition needs, diseases and protection of their rights. In the first phase, 10 schools in Balochistan would be selected for the LSBE program. In this regards Rahnuma-FPAP organized a LSBE Task Force Meeting which highly commended the decision of Balochistan government. The task force members were also informed that KP Government has also agreed to mainstream LSBE in school curriculum.



During the LSBE Task Force Meeting it was shared that MoU has been signed for teachers training. Baluchistan government has agreed to work with Young Omang network member Aahung on LSBE and replicate the successful model of Sindh. An MoU between Aahung and education department Baluchistan has been signed. Under the MoU, LSBE would be included in School Curriculum of class 6-9 and a technical advisory committee would be formed. Plan International Pakistan representative shared that a batch of LHV's were trained on WHO standards on Adolescents health. Plan Pakistan has recently expanded its focus to include young people under the age of 24. Oxfam Pakistan representative shared that MoU with Sindh government has been signed and public school teachers, peer educators are being trained. They are working with partners for LSBE and village committees, school management committees and parent teachers associations.



German Consultancy Firm EPOS Visits Youth Resource Center:

EPOS an affiliate of KFW is a leading health management firm working globally to improve the quality and accessibility of health services and systems. Mr. James Mires, EPOS Pakistan Head visited Rahnuma-FPAP Youth Resource Center (YRC) Kariyalla and Khanpur along with PM Chakwal. The team appreciated the integrated approach of Youth Resource Center and Family Health Center at the same location. During the visit of YRC, the team was briefed on the overall historical evolution and working of Rahnuma-FPAP. Mr Mires was informed that R-FPAP is one of the oldest and largest CSOs in Pakistan which has its services delivery apparatus spread all over Pakistan. They were informed that more than 10 to 15 youth clients are referred from YRC to FHC on monthly basis. He was able to have an interaction with selected Peer Educators and also reviewed the activities and records available at YRC.

International Youth Day 2018 Celebrated:

Rahnuma-FPAP celebrated International Youth Day 2018 across Pakistan while organizing different events under the theme of "Safer Spaces for Youth". This year UNDP launched Pakistan National Human Development Report estimates that Pakistan currently has the largest population of young people ever recorded in its history and currently one of the youngest countries in the world and the second youngest in the South Asian region after Afghanistan, the report said adding: "Total population 64 per cent is below the age of 30, and 29 per cent is between the ages of 15-29 years. The report presents Pakistan's human development challenges and opportunities from the perspective of its youth. It focuses on how to improve human development outcomes by empowering young people, addressing the root causes of the obstacles they face, and by proposing innovative ways to overcome these challenges. Regional Office Gilgit Baltistan organized Seminar on Youth and the Chief Guest of the Seminar was Mr. Muhammad Asim Tawana, Secretary to Government of Gilgit Baltistan on Social Welfare and Youth Affairs. Different speakers on the occasion shared that the increasing violence in the society is due to lack of quality education, unemployment and lack of training and entertainment opportunities for the youth. Participants said bad governance and corruption have destroyed education, entertainment and development infrastructure. Had these facilities been provided to the citizen, we would not have seen the violent behavior or an increase in extremism.



Rahnuma-FPAP and SACHET Pakistan Signs MoU to Strengthen SDGs:

Rahnuma-FPAP and SACHET has signed an agreement of cooperation. Rahnuma-FPAP is providing community services under thematic areas of family planning, reproductive health, youth, women empowerment, poverty alleviation throughout Pakistan including Azad Jammu Kashmir & Gilgit Baltistan since 1953.

The scope of MoU covers collaborative services between two organizations in capacity building of staff on Family Planning/Reproductive Health & contraceptive supply to SACHET, data recording and reporting, youth focused services relating to Skill Development, & health in Islamabad District. A MOU signing ceremony was organized on August 20, 2018 at Regional office of Rahnuma-FPAP in Islamabad. Both organization reaffirmed their commitment towards working together for achievement of SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) and more specifically towards SDG Goal 3 and Goal 5, that addresses healthy lives, gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls.

